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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (Form PTO/SB/08a) and copies of the documents cited therein. The relevance of the cited documents is indicated in the specification being submitted herewith and in the pending patent applications and issued patents related to the subject application being further identified on the attached list.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

A first Official Action has not yet issued for this application. Therefore, it is believed that no fees are due under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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RELATED U.S. PATENT APPLICATIONS AND ISSUED U.S. PATENTS

1. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,600,055

Issue Date: 07/29/2003

Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.176

2. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,608,219 Filing Date: 08/19/2003

> Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.177

3. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,596,881 Filing Date: 07/22/2003

> Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.178

4. Serial No.: 10/174,549 Filing Date: 06/18/2002

> Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Process for the Recovery of Combustible Components of a Gas Stream Title:

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.179

5. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,610,865 Filing Date: 08/26/2003

Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.2081

6. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,596,883 Filing Date:

07/22/2003 Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title:

Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.210

7. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,617,465 Issue Date: 09/09/2003

> Applicant(s): Georg THIELE et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.252

8. Serial No.: 10/384,217 Filing Date: 03/07/2003

> Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.270

9. Serial No.: 10/428,607 Filing Date: 05/02/2003

Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.282

10. Serial No.: 10/463,780 Filing Date: 06/17/2003

Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process of Separating 1-Methoxy-2-Propanol and 2-Methoxy-1-Propanol from

Aqueous Compositions

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.291

11. Serial No.: 10/203,186 Filing Date: 10/04/2002

Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.292

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Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.293

13. U.S. Pat. No.: 6,624,319 Issue Date: 09/23/2003

Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.294

14. Serial No.: 10/669,978 Filing Date: 09/24/2003

Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Aqueous Hydrogen Peroxide Solutions and Method of Making Same

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.309

15. Serial No.: 10/669,993 Filing Date: 09/24/2003

Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.310

16. Serial No.: 60/428,932 Filing Date: 11/26/2002

Applicant(s): Willi HOFEN et al.

Title: Process for the Purification of Crude Propene Oxide

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.319

17. Serial No.: 60/428,934 Filing Date: 11/26/2002

Applicant(s): Thomas HAAS et al.

Title: Process for the Epoxidation of Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.320

18. Patent No.: 5,620,935

 Issue Date:
 04/15/1997

 Serial No.:
 08/664,010

 Filing Date:
 06/14/1996

 Applicant(s):
 Georg THIELE

Title: Method for the Regeneration of A Catalyst

Atty. Dkt. No.: 032301.52195

19. Patent No.: 5,675,026

Issue Date: 10/07/1997
Serial No.: 08/668,451
Filing Date: 06/21/1996
Applicant(s): Georg THIELE

Title: Process for the Production of Epoxides from Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: N/A

20. Patent No.: 6,372,924

Issue Date: 04/16/2002 Serial No.: 09/663,703 Filing Date: 09/18/2000 Applicant(s): Georg THIELE

Title: Process for the Preparation of Epoxides from Olefins

Atty. Dkt. No.: N/A

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